# ANNUAL REPORT 

of the

## SELECTMEN

and other

## TOWN OFFICERS

of the

## TOWN OF ACWORTH NEW HAMPSHIRE

For the year ending December 31, 2021
Please bring this Town Report to Town Meeting on Tuesday, March 8, 2022

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## Town Officers and Committees

| Board of Selectmen | Frank Emig - 2022 |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | Jim Jennison-2023 |
|  | Ray Leonard - 2024 |
| Town Clerk | Charlotte Comeau - 2022 |
| Tax Collector | Marianne Nevelson-2022 |
| Treasurer | Melinda Loiselle - 2022 |
| Administrative Assistant | Kathi Bradt |
| Local Auditor | Lisa DeValk - 2022 |
| Moderator | John Luther - 2022 |
| Election Inspectors | Sandra Binion - 2022 |
|  | Linda Christie - 2022 |
| Supervisors of the Checklist | Elizabeth Gowen - 2027 |
|  | Rose Knight - 2022 |
|  | Marianne Nevelson - 2023 |
| Overseer of Public Welfare Health Officer | Board of Selectmen |
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| Trustees of Trust Funds | Torrey Greene - 2022 |
|  | Tim Perry - 2023 |
|  | Sandra Binion - 2024 |
| Library Trustees | Melinda Loiselle - 2022 |
|  | Guy Russell - 2023 |
|  | Doug Robinson-2023 |
|  | Andrea Alderman - 2024 |
|  | Mary Hildreth - 2024 |
| Cemetery Trustees | Helen Frink - 2022 |
|  | Lillie LeBlanc - 2023 |
|  | Claudia Istel - 2024 |
| Budget Committee | Claudia Istel - 2022 |
|  | Cheryl Sanctuary - 2022 |
|  | Judy Aron - 2023 |
|  | Sue Metsack - 2023 |
|  | Jennifer Bland - 2024 |
|  | Conan Cook - 2024 |
|  | Frank Emig, Selectman |


| Planning Board Alternates | Jim Neidert - 2022 <br> Matt Connors - 2022 <br> Mike Aron - 2023 <br> Joe Fedora- 2023 <br> Mark Girard - 2024 <br> Rob Vogel - 2024 <br> Ray Leonard, Selectman |
| :---: | :---: |
| Conservation Commission | Beverly Buxton - 2022 Jennifer Bland- 2023 <br> Gregg Thibodeau - 2023 <br> Mark Girard - 2024 <br> Scott Travers - 2024 <br> Jim Jennison, Selectman |
| Alternates |  |
| Zoning Board of Adjustment | Brian St. Pierre - 2022 <br> Mark Girard - 2023 <br> Lisa Earl - 2024 <br> Brenda Melius - 2024 |
| Alternates |  |
| Recreation Committee | Board of Selectmen |
| FMRSD Board | Sarah Vogel |
| Town Forester | Peter Rhoades |
| Tree Warden | G. Kristian Fenderson |

## Regular Meetings and Events

| Selectmen | First, third and fifth Mondays, 7:00PM |
| :---: | :---: |
| Town Clerk | Wed. 4:30PM-7:00PM Sat. 8:00AM-Noon |
| Tax Collector | Mondays, 2:00-4:00PM |
| Planning Board | Fourth Mondays, 7:00PM |
| Conservation Commission | Second Wednesdays, 7:00PM |
| Zoning Board of Adjustment | Second Mondays only for new business, 7:00PM |
| Cemetery Trustees | Regular or Special meeting dates posted Contact Kristian Fenderson, Sexton |
| Library Trustees | As needed, Guy Russell, chair |
| Trustees of Trust Funds | Regular or Special meeting dates posted Contact Torrey Greene, Chair |
| Selectmen's office | Mon.-Thurs., 8:00AM-1:00PM, 835-6879 |
| Highway Garage | Answering machine 835-6866 |
| Transfer Station | Wed. 11:00AM-6PM, Sat. 9:00AM-4 PM, 835-6602 |
| Library | Tues. \& Thurs. 11:30AM-5:30PM, Sat. \& Sun. 11:30AM-4:30PM, 835-2150 |
| Emergency | 911 <br> Fire 352-1100 <br> State Police Troop C 358-3333 |

## 2021 Schedule of Town Real Properties and Values

Town Hall and Land 229-1 \$185,900
Flagpole Lot 229-2 20,400
Town Common 229-3 30,500
Library and Land 229-32 142,200
Hill/Lynn triangle 229-49 11,200
Town Garage and Transfer Station 253-11 148,700 \$538,900
Land Acquired Through Tax Collector's Deeds:
Crescent Lake 201-36 24,700
Hurd 201-107 238,200
Hurd 201-108 325,900
Murzda 206-1 15,100
Farrell 206-8 30,600
Owner unknown 207-6 31,800
Zacharie 207-14 21,200
Owner unknown 210-20.1 3,200
Augustinowicz 210-27 40,100
Howard Estate 210-39 35,900
Town Forest 211-1 23,500
Town Forest 201-135 99,600
Owner unknown 222-21 3,600
Farnsworth (Ball field) 222-4 57,400
Buss Lot 226-1 2,300
Champney 226-6 2,800
Ball 230-3 12,000
Callum 234-18 32,200
Owner unknown 234-19 45,900
Roberts 236-10 42,000
Jennison 240-9 69,200
Prouty 250-2 6,900 \$1,164,100
Land Acquired Through Gift or Purchase:
Pierce Brook 209-7 48,700
Ward 218-4 24,900
Town Wetlands 225-6 7,300
Town Wetlands 226-9 3,400
Conservation Associates 225-7 7,900
Hamblet 226-8.1 3,000
Stebbins Road 229-58 10,800
Five Points School House 231-8 12,400
Nye Road Cemetery 234-8 2,700
Lubetkin/Cemetery 234-13 17,900
Hill Road Cemetery 234-24 4,600
Mill Pond Acre/Mica Shed 246-17 37,700
Prince 246-57 2,500 \$183,800
Total
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## WARRANT FOR TOWN OF ACWORTH MARCH 8, 2022

To the inhabitants of the Town of Acworth, NH, qualified to vote in Town affairs: You are hereby notified to bring your votes for Town Officers, and any other questions, to the Town Hall on Tuesday, the eighth day of March next, at 10:00 of the clock in the morning at which time the polls shall be opened for voting on Article 1 and 2 by use of the official ballot, and shall close not earlier than 7:00 of the clock in the evening; and you are hereby notified that discussion and voting on Articles 3 through 14 shall commence at 7:00 of the clock in the evening on the same day, March 8 next at the Town Hall.

## IN RESPONSE TO THE CONTINUING COVID PANDEMIC THE SELECTMEN HAVE VOTED TO REQUIRE FACE MASKS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING DURING THIS 2022 TOWN MEETING DAY AND EVENING VOTING.

ARTICLE ONE: To vote by non-partisan ballot for the following Town Officers:

Selectmen: 1 for 3 Years
Tax Collector: 1 for 1 Year
Moderator: 1 for 2 Years
Trustee of Trust Funds: 1 for 3 Years
Cemetery Trustee: 1 for 3 Years
Planning Board: 2 for 3 Years

Town Clerk: 1 for 3 Years
Treasurer: 1 for 1 Year
Local Auditor: 1 for 1 Year
Library Trustee: 1 for 3 Years
Budget Committee: 2 for 3 Years
Checklist Supervisor: 1 for 6 Years

ARTICLE TWO: To see if the Town will vote to adopt the amendments to the Acworth Zoning Ordinance proposed by the Planning Board intended to 1.) Clarify the description of uses permitted in each Zoning District in Article 1ll, B; 2.) Eliminate the need for a building permit in certain instances in Article XI, B; and 3.) Clarify the definition of Structure by deleting the phrase "fixed location on the ground" in Article XVI, N. Copies of the Ordinance showing changes are available at the Town office and will be available at the polls.
The following question will appear on the Official Ballot: "Are you in favor of amending the existing Town of Acworth Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board? The amendments clarify permitted uses, eliminate some need for building permits and simplify the definition of Structure."

ARTICLE THREE: To see if the Town will vote to empower the Selectmen to serve as pound keepers, measurers of wood and fence viewers.

ARTICLE FOUR: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

ARTICLE FIVE: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a long-term lease/purchase agreement in the amount of $\$ 125,000$ payable over a term of 3 years to for a highway truck, and to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 42,000$ for the first year's payment for that purpose. Selectmen and Budget Committee do not recommend this article. 3/5 Majority vote required.

ARTICLE SIX: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee recommended sum of $\$ 1,416,799$ for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article. Majority vote required.

ARTICLE SEVEN: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $\$ 10,000$ for the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article. Majority vote required.

ARTICLE EIGHT: To see if the Town will Vote to raise and appropriate $\$ 10,000$ for the Bridge Capital Reserve Fund previously established. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article. Majority vote required.

ARTICLE NINE:To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $\$ 10,000$ for the Transfer Station Capital Reserve Fund previously established. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article. Majority vote required.

ARTICLE TEN: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $\$ 10,000$ for the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article. Majority vote required.

ARTICLE ELEVEN: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $\$ 8,000$ for the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund previously established. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article. Majority vote required.

ARTICLE TWELVE: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 77,000$ for top coating the newly completed section of Cold Pond Road (1.1 miles from the center of Town). Selectmen and Budget Committee do not recommend this article. Majority vote required.

ARTICLE THIRTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to reclassify the Class VI portion of Nye Road running from the intersection with Grout Hill Road to the Goodwin Farm to Class V.

ARTICLE FOURTEEN: To transact any other business that may legally be brought before this Town Meeting.

Given under our hands and the seal of the Town of Acworth this 9th day of February, 2022. A True Copy of Warrant Attest: Board of Selectmen: Frank Emig James Jennison Ray Leonard
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## New Hampshire <br> Revenue Administration

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General Govemment
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4130－4139 Executive
4140－4149 Election，Registration，and Vital Statistics
4150－4151 Financial Administration
4152 Revaluation of Property
Legal Expense
Personnel Administration
Planning and Zoning
General Government Buildings
Cemeteries
Insurance

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| Account | Purpose | Article | Actual <br> Expenditures for Appropriations period ending for period ending 12/31/2021 12/31/2021 | Selectmen's Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2022 (Recommended) | Selectmen's Appropriations for A period ending 12/31/2022 <br> ( Not Recommended) | Budget Committee's ropriations for $A$ period ending 12/31/2022 <br> (Recommended) | Budget Committee's Appropriations for period ending 12/31/2022 <br> (Not Recommended) |
| Highways and Streets |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4311 | Administration |  | \$0 \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 4312 | Highways and Streets | 06 | \$282,449 \$331,724 | \$393,895 | \$0 | \$393,895 | \$0 |
| 4313 | Bridges | 06 | \$0 \$100 | \$1,000 | \$0 | \$1,000 | \$0 |
| 4316 | Street Lighting | 06 | \$3,928 \$3,000 | \$3,700 | \$0 | \$3,700 | \$0 |
| 4319 | Other | 06 | \$108,531 \$83,250 | \$101,550 | \$0 | \$101,550 | \$0 |
|  | Highways and Streets Subtotal |  | \$394,908 \$418,074 | \$500,145 | \$0 | \$500,145 | \$0 |
| Sanitation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4321 | Administration |  | \$0 \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 4323 | Solid Waste Collection |  | \$0 \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 4324 | Solid Waste Disposal | 06 | \$70,285 \$72,650 | \$82,600 | \$0 | \$82,600 | \$0 |
| 4325 | Solid Waste Cleanup | 06 | \$8,845 \$10,800 | \$6,500 | \$0 | \$6,500 | \$0 |
| 4326-4329 | Sewage Collection, Disposal and Other |  | \$0 \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
|  | Sanitation Subtotal |  | \$79,130 \$83,450 | \$89,100 | \$0 | \$89,100 | \$0 |
| Water Distribution and Treatment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4331 | Administration |  | \$0 \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 4332 | Water Services |  | \$0 \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 4335-4339 | Water Treatment, Conservation and Other |  | \$0 \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
|  | Water Distribution and Treatment Subtotal |  | \$0 \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Electric |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4351-4352 | Administration and Generation |  | \$0 \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 4353 | Purchase Costs |  | \$0 \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 4354 | Electric Equipment Maintenance |  | \$0 \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 4359 | Other Electric Costs |  | \$0 \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
|  | Electric Subtotal |  | \$0 \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |





Special Warrant Articles


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To Health Maintenance Trust Funds
Machinery, Vehicles, and Equipment

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Estimated $\begin{array}{r}\text { Selectmen＇s } \\ \text { Revenues for }\end{array}$ Estimated Revenues for
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Revenues
Actual Revenues for
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| 06 | $\$ 481$ |
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Other Financing Sources Subtotal $\$ 631,397$
From Capital Reserve Funds
From Trust and Fiduciary Funds
From Conservation Funds
90
Miscellaneous Revenues Subtotal

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| $3501 \quad$ Sale of Municipal Property |

| 3502 | Interest on Investments |
| :--- | :--- |
| $3503-3509$ | Other |


| 3502 | Interest on Investments |
| :--- | :--- |
| $3503-3509$ | Other |

Interfund Operating Transfers In

| 3912 | From Special Revenue Funds |
| :---: | :---: |
| 3913 | From Capital Projects Funds |

3913 From Capital Projects Funds

| 3914A | From Enterprise Funds：Airport（Offset） |
| :--- | :--- |
| 3914E | From Enterprise Funds：Electric（Offset） |


3914S From Enterprise Funds：Sewer（Offset）
3914W From Enterprise Funds：Water（Offset）

| 3914 W |
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| 3915 |


| 3916 |
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| 3917 |

Interfund Operating Transfers In Subtotal
Other Financing Sources
3934 Proceeds from Long Term Bonds and Notes
9998 Amount Voted from Fund Balance
Total Estimated Revenues and Credits
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## New Hampshire

Revenue Administration
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| Charges for Services |
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3409 Other Charges
Charges for Services Subtotal
Miscellaneous Revenues
Interfund Operating Transfers In
3914A From Enterprise Funds：Airport

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| Period ending |
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| (Recommended) |
| $\$ 1,416,799$ |
| $\$ 48,000$ |
| $\$ 1,464,799$ |
| $\$ 494,352$ |
| $\$ 970,447$ |

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Budget Summary



Maximum Allowable Appropriations Voted at Meeting:
(Line $1+$ Line $8+$ Line $11+$ Line 12) \$1,611,279 100100 Acworth 2022 MS-737 2/13/2022 10:44:10 AM


Supplemental Schedule

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\$ 1,464,799
$$ 8. 10\% of Amount Recommended, Less Exclusions (Line $7 \times 10 \%$ ) $\$ 146,480$ Less Exclusions:

1. Total Recommended by Budget Committee
2. Principal: Long-Term Bonds \& Notes
3. Interest: Long-Term Bonds \& Notes
4. Capital outlays funded from Long-Term Bonds \& Notes
5. Mandatory Assessments
6. Total Exclusions (Sum of Lines 2 through 5 above) 7. Amount Recommended, Less Exclusions (Line 1 less Line 6) $\quad \mathbf{\$ 1 , 4 6 4 , 7 9 9}$

Collective Bargaining Cost Items:

| 9. Recommended Cost Items (Prior to Meeting) | $\$ 0$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| 10. Voted Cost Items (Voted at Meeting) | $\$ 0$ |
| 11. Amo |  |

11. Amount voted over recommended amount (Difference of Lines 9 and 10) \$0
12. Bond Override (RSA 32:18-a), Amount Voted \$0

New Hampshire Revenue Administration Collective Bargainin

## TOWN OF ACWORTH

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES
March 9 $^{\text {th }}, 2021$
Elections - 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Absentee ballots opened at 3:06 p.m. finished at 3:11 p.m.
Business Meeting - 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Polls closed at 8:00 and counting of ballots began
Counts given to Town Clerk at 8:40 to complete necessary paperwork, adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

ARTICLE ONE: To vote by non-partisan ballot for the following Town Officers:
Results of ballots cast - declared winners' names are noted in bold print
Selectmen - One person for three-year term
$\quad$ Ray Leonard
Brenda Melius 72
Tax Collector - One person for one-year term
Marianne Wierenga-Nevelson 143
Treasurer - One person for one-year term
Melinda Loiselle
Local Auditor - One person for one-year term
Lisa DeValk 136
Trustee of Trust Funds - One person for three-year term
Sandra Binion
Cemetery Trustee - One person for three-year term
Claudia Istel
Supervisor of the Checklist - One person for six-year term
Elizabeth R. Gowen
Planning Board - Two persons for three-year term
Mark R. Girard
Rob Vogel 133
Library Trustee - Two persons for three-year term
Andrea Alderman
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Andrea Alderman } & 130 \\ \text { Mary J. Hildreth } & \mathbf{1 2 9}\end{array}$

Budget Committee - Two persons for three-year term
Jennifer Bland
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Jennifer Bland } & 118 \\ \text { Conan Cook } & 118\end{array}$

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Moderator John Luther announced that the polls would not be open after the meeting as has been in the past and for people that were there to vote to do so before the meeting. He also said he was going to forego the pledge of allegiance, and that although people were social distancing and wearing masks, he felt it was better if everyone wasn't projecting their voices all at once.

ARTICLE TWO: To see if the Town will vote to empower the Selectmen to serve as pound keepers, measurers of wood and fence viewers.

Article two moved by Linda Christie. Seconded by Greg Thibodeau After a question by Mike Aron, article two was moved to vote by voice vote.

## ARTICLE TWO PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE THREE: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Article three moved by Brenda Melius. Seconded by Judy Aron. With no discussion, article three was moved to vote by voice vote.

## ARTICLE THREE PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Frank Emig announced that the Chairman, Rob DeValk couldn't be there but wanted to recognize his twenty six years of service for the town.

ARTICLE FOUR: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a long-term lease/purchase agreement in the amount of $\$ 177,340$ payable over a term of 5 years to replace the loader, and to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 110,000$ for the first year's payment for that purpose with $\$ 40,000$ of those funds to come from the Equipment Capital Reserve Fund and $\$ 70,000$ to come from Unassigned Fund Balance with no tax rate impact in 2021. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article. 3/5 Majority vote required.

Article four moved by Rob Vogel. Seconded by Susan Metsack.
Moderator, John Luther announced he had an amendment on the article.
Amendment was moved by Judy Aron. Seconded by Jennifer Bland.
Amendment reads as follows: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a long-term lease/purchase agreement in the amount of $\underline{\$ 179,840}$ payable over a term of 5 years to replace the loader, and to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 112,500$ for the first year's payment for that purpose with $\$ 2,500$ of those funds to come from the sale of the old loader, $\$ 40,000$ of those funds to come from the Equipment Capital Reserve Fund and $\mathbf{\$ 7 0 , 0 0 0}$ to come from Unassigned Fund Balance with no tax rate impact in 2021. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article. $3 / 5$ Majority vote required.

After some discussion on the amendment, Article four as amended was moved to vote by voice vote.

## ARTICLE FOUR AS AMENDED PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE FIVE: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee recommended sum of $\$ 1,386,579$ for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately below. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article. Majority vote required.

Article five moved by Mike Aron. Seconded by Rob Vogel. With no discussion, article five was moved to vote by voice vote.

## ARTICLE FIVE PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE SIX: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $\$ 97,133$ to purchase a backhoe to replace the 2003 backhoe, with $\$ 50,000$ to come from the Equipment Capital Reserve Fund and $\$ 47,133$ from Unassigned Fund Balance. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article. Majority vote required.

Article six moved by Judy Aron. Seconded by Maureen Thibodeau. After some discussion, article six was moved to vote by voice vote.

## ARTICLE SIX PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE SEVEN: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $\$ 20,000$ for the Bridge Repair or Replacement Capital Reserve Fund previously established with funds to come from Unassigned Fund Balance. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article. Majority vote required.

Article seven moved by Mike Aron. Seconded by Sandra Binion.
After some discussion, article seven was moved to vote by voice vote.

## ARTICLE SEVEN PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE EIGHT: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $\$ 30,000$ for the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established with funds to come from Unassigned Fund Balance. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article. Majority vote required.

Article eight moved by Susan Metsack. Seconded by Rob Vogel. With no discussion, article eight was moved to vote by voice vote.

## ARTICLE EIGHT PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE NINE: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $\$ 5,000$ for the Buildings and Grounds Capital Reserve Fund previously established. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article. Majority vote required.

Article nine moved by Maureen Thibodeau. Seconded by David Bland. After little discussion, article nine was moved to vote by voice vote.

## ARTICLE NINE PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE TEN: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $\$ 8,000$ for the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund previously established. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article. Majority vote required. Majority vote required

Article ten moved by Greg Thibodeau. Seconded by Brenda Melius After some discussion, article ten was moved to vote by voice vote.

## ARTICLE TEN PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

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ARTICLE ELEVEN: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $\$ 10,000$ for the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article. Majority vote required.

Article Eleven moved by Jim Jennison. Seconded by Mary Hildreth
After some discussion, article eleven was moved to vote by voice vote.

## ARTICLE ELEVEN PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE TWELVE: To see if the Town will vote to establish a capital reserve fund for replacement of the Transfer Station compactor and purchase of bins, to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 10,000$ to be placed in this fund, and to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article. Majority vote required.

Article Twelve moved by Maureen Thibodeau. Seconded by Jennifer Bland After some discussion, article twelve was moved to vote by voice vote.

## ARTICLE TWELVE PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE THIRTEEN: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $\$ 24,250$ for the 2021 revaluation of the Town, with said funds to come from the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund. Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this article. Majority vote required.

Article Thirteen moved by Marianne Nevelson. Seconded by Mike Aron
After some discussion, article thirteen was moved to vote by voice vote.

## ARTICLE THIRTEEN PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ARTICLE FOURTEEN: To transact any other business that may legally be brought before this Town Meeting.

Marianne Nevelson mentioned that this is the first town meeting that Gordon Gowen has missed. This was given a round of applause.

Mark MacIntyre, road agent, thanked everyone for their patience and said to call if anything is needed. Sandra Binion thanked the road crew for the work they've been doing on the roads.

Greg Thibodeau spoke for the broadband committee and gave an update on where things were at. He stated that NHEC is working on this as they have received a grant from the government for it. The committee is trying to get this service into Acworth. They said they would try and start this year.

Counting of ballots completed at $\mathbf{8 : 3 0} \mathbf{~ p . m . ~ T h e ~ i n f o r m a t i o n ~ w a s ~ g i v e n ~ t o ~ t h e ~ T o w n ~ C l e r k ~ t o ~ c o m p i l e ~}$ and complete necessary paperwork. Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlotte Comeau
Acworth Town Clerk

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# TOWN OF ACWORTH <br> Special Town Meeting Minutes <br> November 6, 2021-1:00 p.m. <br> At the Acworth Town Hall <br> 13 Town Hall Road, Acworth, NH 03601 

## Moderator John Luther called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.

## Article SPI: Road Repairs Following the July 29-30, 2021 Flash Flood Event

To see if the Town will vote (1) to raise and appropriate $\$ 2,100,000$ (gross budget) for the purpose of restoring, repairing, and improving Town roads, including Crane Brook Road, Derry Hill Road and Charlestown Road, that suffered significant damages during the flash flood of July 29-30, 2021 (the "Project"); (2) to authorize the issuance of not more than $\$ 2,100,000$ of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) to fund costs of the Project and to authorize Town officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; (3) to authorize Town officials to apply for, obtain, and accept federal (e.g. FEMA), state, or other aid or grant monies in respect of the Project and to usesuch monies to reduce the amount of bonds or notes issued for the Project, to prepay such bonds or notes, or to pay debt service on such bonds or notes; and (4) to authorize the selectmen to takeany other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto.
(Recommended by the Budget Committee, 5:Y, O:N) (Recommended
by the Board of Selectmen, 3:Y,O:N)(3/5 ballot vote required)
Article SP1 moved by Ed Metsack. Seconded by David Bascom
Much discussion took place. Engineer Erin Darrow was in attendance and explained that there is many miles of damage and it will take more time to get all the costs but hopes to have the numbers available for the town meeting.

Stella Herpel asked about protection from future storms. Frank Emig said they are working with DES and FEMA for upgrades and that a lot of the damage was due to beaver dams breaking.

John Balla commented that two million dollars is a lot of money to fix one mile of Crane Brook Rd and not repave it.

Jim Jennison stated that if we don't start work on these roads that FEMA will not pay the $75 \%$ and it will all fall on the tax payers.

Doug Robinson asked how much work will be done before winter, Kathi Bradt responded that the work will start on Monday if the loan is approved.

Frank Emig stated that we have gotten some work done with what we had available in fund balance but we are running out. That the loan is a line of credit and money would only be taken out when needed.

After much more discussion, Ed Metsack called the question. Seconded by Alex Bassinne.
All in favor to move to ballot vote.

At 1:40 ballots were collected. Attorney Matt Decker explained that per RSA 33:8A, after the votes are collected we have to wait one hour before counting the ballots.

The meeting continued with the next article.

At 2:40 polls closed for Artcle SP1 and ballots were counted.
Yes $80 \quad$ No 5
Article SP1 PASSED

## Article SP2: Highway Truck Lease-Purchase

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a 3-year lease-purchase agreement in principal amount of $\$ 135,000$ for the acquisition of a truck for the Highway Department, and to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 45,000$ for lease payments due in the 2021 fiscal year.
(Not Recommended by the Budget Committee, $I: Y, 4: N$ )
(Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, $I: Y, 2: N$ )
( $3 / 5$ ballot vote required)

Article SP2 moved by Jennifer Bland. Seconded by Will Starks.
Mark McIntire, Road Crew Supervisor said the 2012 is worn out and not designed to plow roads as needed but would like to keep for spare. It will take three times longer to plow if truck goes down.

After much discussion, Dennis Eaton called the question. Seconded by Norm Bernaiche.
All in favor to move to ballot vote.

At 2:10 ballots were collected. Attorney Matt Decker stated again that we would need to wait one hour from this time before counting these ballots.

At 3:10 the polls closed for Article SP2 and ballots were counted.

| YES 47 | NO 36 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ARTICLE SP 2 | DID NOT PASS |

Marianne Nevelson motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:30. Seconded by Elizabeth Gown. Moderator John Luther adjourned the meeting

Respectfully Submitted,


Charlotte Comeau
Acworth Town Clerk

## 2021 Tax Collector's Report

The Board of Selectmen issued warrants for the collection of 2021 property taxes in the amount of \$2,753853.30 Tax Collector remitted to Town Treasurer \$2,333609.97 in 2021 tax payments plus $\$ 3221.00$ in Credit Memos or $85 \%$. The tax bill were not due until January $4^{\text {th }}, 2022$.

In addition I received a warrant for 2021 Yield Tax in the amount of $\$ 7,384.69$. On $12 / 31 / 2021$ the balance due on 2021 yield tax was $\$ 1,960.34$.
I will mail the delinquency notice for the 2021 Taxes at the end of February, 2022 to delinquent taxpayers alerting them to their delinquency and to notify them of the lien date for 2021 Taxes: August 1st, 2022.
All properties with uncollected 2021 taxes on August 1, 2022 will receive a Tax Lien regardless of the amount of taxes. Liens are an expensive proposition $-14 \%$ interest plus various fees for taxes assessed after April $1^{\text {st }}, 2019$. Please pay.

The unpaid Tax levy of 2019 is scheduled for tax deeding on October 31st, 2022. I recommend that those taxpayers start paying off immediately and contact me with their plan regarding their tax debt. Having a plan places you in a stronger position with Board of Selectmen when a tax deed decision has to be made.

In 2021, 31 real estate liens for the levy of 2020 were executed. 2 Tax payers were scheduled for Tax Deeding for the levy of 2018. 2 Waivers was issued to the Tax Collector by the Board of Selectmen because the Tax payers are making regular payments on their debt.
Please note: Tax Deed waivers can be rescinded with a thirty day notice and only the act of executing a tax deed to the Town of Acworth is waived. All back taxes and interest stay in effect.

Tax Payments can now be made on the Town of Acworth website - Tax Collector's button.
Payments are entered as received on the day of the postal cancellation. You do not have to wait for a Monday to see me personally. Payments can be dropped off at the Town Offices, but I prefer that you put your payments in the mail. If everything else fails you can call me to make an appointment for when it is convenient for you.

Thank you, taxpayers for your prompt payments, your cooperation and your good cheer.
Marianne W Nevelson
Tax Collector

> COLLECTOR'S TRIAL BALANCE REPORT


## 2021 TOWN CLERK REPORT

I want to thank the residents of Acworth for your continued support.
As a reminder, providing your old registration is required by state law, RSA 261:148, IV.

It will soon be time to renew your dog licenses for 2022. This is something that not every dog owner in Acworth is complying with. Per state law RSA 466:100 "every dog, 3 months of age and older shall be vaccinated against rabies. Young dogs shall be vaccinated within 30 days after they have reached 3 months of age." The 2021 license will expire on April 30th. Beginning June $1^{\text {st }}$ a $\$ 1.00$ per month late fee is assessed.

I would like to take this opportunity to list some of the services available at this office for those of you that are new in town. I am responsible for registering and titling vehicles. I complete marriage license applications, process birth, marriage and death certificates, file wetland permit applications, pole licenses and dog licenses. I accept voter registration forms, mail absentee ballots, prepare the town ballot and administer the oath of office to any newly elected or appointed Town Officials. Notary Public services are also available. There is more information as well as various printable forms on the Acworth website at www.acworthnh.net.

For everyone's safety, the office may be closed during inclement weather, if you are unsure or have any questions, please call the office at 835-6879.

Respectfully submitted,
Charlotte Comeau
Acworth Town Clerk

## 2021 TOWN CLERK REPORT <br> (Continued)

## MOTOR VEHICLES

Vehicle Registrations 190,701.52
Clerk Fees 3,040.00
Title Fees 564.00
Title Transfer Fees 385.00
Municipal Agent Fee 3,770.00
E-Log Fee 118.00
Returned Check Fees $\quad 100.00$
198,678.52

## DOGS

Licenses Issued: $\mathbf{1 6 4}$
Town Fees 622.00
State Fees 294.00
Late Fees $\underline{59.00}$
975.00

## MARRIAGES

Licenses Issued: 4
Town Fees 28.00
State Fees $\quad \underline{172.00}$
200.00

## FILING FEES

## Vital Record Copies: 16

Town Fees 108.00
State Fees 122.00
UCC $\underline{255.00}$
485.00

REMITTED TO TREASURER
200,338.52

## TREASURER'S REPORT

## Detailed Statement of Appropriation Disbursements for 2021

Jan - Dec 2021

| Town officers' salaries | Jan - Dec 2021 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Selectmen - Frank Emig | $3,000.00$ |
| Selectmen - Ray Leonard | $3,000.00$ |
| Selectmen - Jim Jennison | $3,000.00$ |
| Treasurer - Melinda Loiselle | $2,499.90$ |
| Deputy treasurer - Sarah Eaton | $1,000.00$ |
| Tax collector - Marianne Nevelson | $6,999.98$ |
| Deputy tax collector - | 999.96 |
| Town clerk - Charlotte Comeau | $7,999.94$ |
| Deputy town clerk | $1,799.98$ |
| Health officer - | $1,000.00$ |
| Deputy health officer - | - |
| Local auditor - Lisa Devalk | 500.00 |
|  | $31,799.76$ |


| 4140 Elections and vital statistics | $1,699.50$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Stipends-election officials | 66.00 |
| Postage | 100.55 |
| Public notices | - |
| Training | 195.00 |
| Vital record fees | 246.00 |
| Miscellaneous | $2,307.05$ |

4150 Town office expenses
Wages-administrative assistant
IRA substitute 1,883.80

Wages-office help
Health insurance $\quad$ 7,093.36
Computer, software and support 1,948.10
Deed office recording fees $\quad-\quad 1,117.00$
Dues to Associations 1,117.00
Miscellaneous 55.55
Office equipment 936.51
Office supplies 980.29
Outside consultants -
Postage 561.96
Public notices 24.33
Services of forester 247.50
Telephone 1,666.92
Health officer expenses 25.00
Tax collector expenses 5,616.53
Town clerk expenses 2,120.63
Town reports and Town Meeting 482.11
Trustees of Trust Funds expense
Workshops and training
70,359.69
4152 Revaluation of property
Property assessing $\quad 7,080.00$
Mapping 2,405.00
Revaluation maintenance $24,250.00$
33,735.00

4153 Legal expenses
Compliance
General Services

## TREASURER'S REPORT (continued)

Detailed Statement of Appropriation Disbursements for 2021
Jan - Dec 2021
4155 Payroll tax expenses

| Payroll taxes - FEMA | 2,284.71 |
| :--- | ---: |
| Payroll taxes-cleaning/shoveling | 260.97 |
| Payroll taxes-dump attendant | $1,092.72$ |
| Payroll taxes-election officials | 130.00 |
| Payroll taxes-forest fires | - |
| Payroll taxes-highway | $12,525.23$ |
| Payroll taxes-planning board | 115.82 |
| Payroll taxes-road projects | - |
| Payroll taxes-town office | $3,632.53$ |
| Payroll taxes-town officials | $2,432.61$ |
| Payroll taxes expenses - other | - |
|  | $22,474.59$ |

4191 Planning and zoning
Wages - planning board $\quad 1,495.00$
Master plan expenses
Miscellaneous expenses
67.80

Public notices and postage 382.15
Recording and other expenses 133.00
Training
2,077.95

## 4194 Town hall expenses

Building compliance 917.05
Wages - cleaning and shoveling 3,412.38
Electricity $\quad 1,109.61$
Fuel oil 2,354.47
Mowing 2,035.00
Repairs \& maintenance $\quad 5,427.47$
Supplies 112.15
15,368.13

4195 Cemeteries
Brush removal
Corner markers 400.00
Hearse storage
Lawn Care
$13,430.00$
Miscellaneous expenses
Monument repair
Tree work $\qquad$

4196 Insurance
Property and general liability 17,803.00
State unemployment insurance 2,904.00
Workmens compensation $\quad 7,739.67$

4197 Regional planning associations
Mileage
UVLSRPC annual dues

TREASURER'S REPORT (continued)
Detailed Statement of Appropriation Disbursements for 2021
Jan - Dec 2021
4210 Police
Contract services
Dispatch
\$
3,400.00
3,400.00
4215 Ambulance $\quad 9,600.00$

4220 Fire \& Rescue services $45,500.00$
$\begin{array}{lr}4290 \text { Emergency management } & 26,527.99 \\ \text { Wages - FEMA } & 7,178.41\end{array}$
Wages - forest fires

FEMA grant expense road repairs
Nye EL $\quad 1,027.00$
Sam Putnam Rd 48,180.61
Charlestown Rd / Luther Hill 100,182.22
Derry Hill
Crane Brook Rd
-
FEMA grant expense road repairs - Other
49,255.00

| 4312 Highway maintenance | $139,563.00$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Wages-highway | $16,818.00$ |
| Overtime wages-highway | $7,360.18$ |
| IRA substitute | $37,053.48$ |
| Health insurance | - |
| Crack sealing | - |
| Culverts | 160.00 |
| Calcium chloride | $7,412.50$ |
| Equipment Rental | $3,325.95$ |
| Materials | 231.91 |
| Miscellaneous | - |
| Pot hole repair | $9,856.00$ |
| Roadside mowing | - |
| Road grading | - |
| Road signs | $41,911.02$ |
| Salt | $6,500.00$ |
| Small maintenance projects | $2,250.00$ |
| Tree work | $10,006.51$ |
| Trucking | $282,448.55$ |

## 4313 Bridge repairs

4316 Street lighting $\quad 3,927.88$

4319 Highway - general expenses
Building compliance
Building maintenance $\quad 5,502.79$
Diesel fuel 31,073.41
Drug testing $\quad 782.00$
Electricity $\quad 2,619.02$
Emergency tow 802.10
Gas 1,908.78
Heating fuel 6,524.01
Miscellaneous 49.54
New equipment 135.98
Radio communication $\quad 1,877.56$
Repairs, parts 45,511.40
Safety 260.40
Shop supplies 8,658.18
Telephone 1,302.53
Training 200.00
Uniforms/clothing $\quad 1,322.98$

## TREASURER'S REPORT (continued)

## Detailed Statement of Appropriation Disbursements for 2021

Jan - Dec 2021

| 4324 Solid waste |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Wages-dump attendent | \$ | 14,286.25 |
| Capital improvements |  |  |
| Comingle bin w/o glass disposal |  | 2,205.15 |
| Compactor truck/rent/disposal |  | 25,428.55 |
| Demolition disposal fees |  | 12,056.76 |
| Electricity |  | 1,160.91 |
| Electronics recycling |  | 1,127.50 |
| Equipment |  | - |
| Fluorescent disposal |  | 81.80 |
| Freon extraction |  | 513.00 |
| Glass/ceramic disposal |  | 1,487.75 |
| Hazardous waste disposal |  | 621.03 |
| Metal disposal fees |  | 1,050.09 |
| Miscellaneous |  | 501.94 |
| Mixed paper disposal |  | 4,478.10 |
| Propane |  | - |
| Repair, maintenance, and permitting |  | 100.00 |
| Safety |  | 201.29 |
| Telephone |  | 469.97 |
| Tire disposal |  | 1,184.00 |
| Training |  | - |
| Waste Oil Disposal |  | 3,245.00 |
| Clothing |  | 85.95 |
|  |  | 70,285.04 |
| 4325 Landfill closure |  |  |
| Monitoring and maintenance |  | 8,844.72 |
| 4414 Animal control |  |  |
| Dog tags |  | 93.23 |
| State fees |  | - |
| Vet and boarding |  | 10.00 |
|  |  | 103.23 |
| 4415 Health and other agencies |  |  |
| Alstead Food Shelf |  | 1,000.00 |
| Fall Mountain Friendly Meals |  | 1,000.00 |
| Home Healthcare Hospice \& CS |  | 1,000.00 |
| Monadnock Family Services |  | 1,000.00 |
| Red Cross |  | 413.00 |
| S W Community Services |  | 705.00 |
| West Central Behavorial Health |  | 850.00 |
|  |  | 5,968.00 |
| 4445 Welfare |  | - |
| 4520 Recreation |  |  |
| Electricity |  | 199.80 |
| Mowing |  | 1,530.00 |
| Recreation - other |  | - |

## TREASURER'S REPORT (continued)

## Detailed Statement of Appropriation Disbursements for 2021

Jan - Dec 2021

## 4550 Library

Wages-library
Payroll taxes-library
Lawn maintenance
Miscellaneous
Library appropriation paid
\$ 24,134.96
1,846.24
1,090.00
109.85
$14,663.95$

41,845.00
250.00

| 4583 Memorial Day expenses | 250.00 |
| :--- | ---: |
| $\mathbf{4 5 8 9}$ Other culture and recreation | - |
| Maintain items of value | - |
| Other | - |
| $\mathbf{4 6 1 1}$ Conservation commission | 200.00 |
| CC association dues | - |
| Crescent Lake testing | - |
| Miscellaneous expenses | 165.95 |
| 4619 Conservation preservation |  |
| Crescent Lake Milfoil Committee | 365.95 |

4902 Machinery, vehicles \& equipment
Equipment - Loader replacement 112,500.00
Equipment - Backhoe replacement 97,133.00
Equipment lease - International replace $\quad$ 37,918.00
Equipment lease - roller $\quad 11,386.80$
4909 Improvements other than buildings
Gravel crushing
Culvert replacement
Road/Town Projects and paving
Beryl Mountain Road 129,595.46

Charlestown Road 137,766.10
Cold Pond Road 172,578.24
Derry Hill Road
Town pit development
Town properties

## 4912 To special revenue funds

Cemetery lot sales reimbursement
4915 To capital reserve funds
Capital reserve - Fire truck $2020 \quad 10,000.00$
Capital reserve - buildings \& grounds $\quad 5,000.00$
Capital reserve - bridges $\quad 25,745.00$
Capital reserve - transfer station
10,000.00
Capital reserve - highway equipment
30,000.00
Capital reserve - revaluation
8,000.00
4916 To expendable cemetery trust fund
Transfers to trustees of trust funds
4919 Conservation commission fund

## Warrant Articles Voted

Small truck replacement
International replacement

8,167.10
88,745.00

## TREASURER'S REPORT (continued)

Detailed Statement of Non-appropriation Disbursements 2021

| Other Expense | Jan - Dec 2021 |
| :--- | ---: |
| 4931 Sullivan County | $278,474.00$ |
| 4933 FM Regional School District | $1,537,087.78$ |
| 4199 Abatements/tax refunds/prepaid items | $5,275.54$ |
| CC - Conservation Commission expenses | - |
| FMF - Forest maintence plan expense | - |
| Cemetery unanticipated expense | 250.00 |
| 2021 Flood repair $\quad$ Total non-appropriation disbursements for 2021 | $\$ \mathbf{2 4 4 , 3 2 1 . 1 0}$ |
|  | $\mathbf{2 , 2 6 5 , 4 0 8 . 4 2}$ |

## TREASURER'S REPORT

 Summary of Conservation Commission accounts for 2021
## Conservation commission savings account

| Beginning balance 1/1/21 | \$ | 3,961.88 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Land Use Change Tax | \$ |  |
| Orchard school scholarship |  |  |
| Interest income |  | 0.40 |
| Ending balance 12/31/21 | \$ | 3,962.28 |
| ons. Comm. forest maintenance savings account |  |  |
| Beginning balance 1/1/21 | \$ | 3,904.34 |
| Timber sale proceeds |  | - |
| Timber bond reimbursement |  | - |
| Forester expense |  | - |
| Interest income |  | 0.39 |
| Transfer to general fund |  | - |
| Ending balance 12/31/21 | \$ | 3,904.73 |

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Detailed Statements of Receipts for 2021

|  | Jan - Dec 2021 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 3100 Received from tax collector | \$ 2,830,578.23 |
| See tax collector report for breakdown of details |  |
| Bounced check not replaced | - |
|  | 2,830,578.23 |
| 3200 Received from town clerk | 198,055.02 |
| See town clerk report for breakdown of details |  |
| Bounced check not replaced | - |
|  | 198,055.02 |
| 3319 From Federal sources |  |
| 3319.1 FEMA funds for road repairs | - |
| 3350 From State sources |  |
| 3352 Meals and rooms distribution | 66,518.77 |
| 3353 Highway block grant | 171,934.66 |
| 3356 Forest land reimbursement | 165.46 |
| 3359.2 Other State grants | - |
| 3359.4 COVID ARPA Funds | 46,848.61 |
|  | 285,467.50 |
| 3400 Revenue from services |  |
| 3404 Transfer station fees | 14,342.00 |
| 3500 Miscellaneous sources |  |
| 3501.1 Sale of Municipal properties | 27,000.00 |
| 3501.2 Cemetery lot sales | 900.00 |
| 3502.1 Interest income on deposits | 479.87 |
| 3503.1 Rent of town property | 120.00 |
| 3508.1 Miscellaneous gifts | 450.00 |
| 3509.21 Recycling proceeds - fibers (mixed loose) | 510.35 |
| 3509.22 Recycling proceeds - metal | 1,557.78 |
| 3509.26 Recycling proceeds - batteries | - |
| 3509.27 Recycling proceeds - propane | - |
| 3509.6 Reimbursed legal fees | - |
| 3230.2 Building permit fees | 560.00 |
| 3292.1 Driveway permit fees | 150.00 |
| 3292.2 Planning board fees | 945.00 |
| 3292.3 Sale of histories and maps | - |
| 3292.5 Miscellaneous fees | 36.00 |
| 3292.7 Equipment purchase reimbursement | - |
|  | 32,709.00 |
| 3915 From special revenue funds |  |
| 3915.2 Transfer from capital reserves for equipment | 90,000.00 |
| 3915.4 Transfer from capital reserves for reval/maps | 24,250.00 |
| 3915.7 Transfer from capital reserves for bridges | 55,000.00 |
|  | 169,250.00 |
| 3916 Trust and agency funds |  |
| 3916.1 Cemetery grants and trust funds | - |
| 3917 Transfers from Conservation funds |  |
| 3917.1 Transfers from forest maintenance funds | - |
| 3934 Proceeds from Loan /T Bonds | 631,396.62 |
| Amount voted from fund balance (Surplus) | 167,133.00 |
| Unanticipated Income |  |
| 2021 Flood repair fund balance | 350,000.00 |
| 2021 Land \& Equipment sales | 145,500.00 |
|  | 495,500.00 |

## Town of Acworth

Balance Sheets (General Fund, Comparative)
December 31, 2021 and 2020


| LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Liabilities |  |  |
| Accounts Payable | 81,526.05 | 11,691.87 |
| Deferred revenue - Prepaid property taxes | 6,457.86 | 13,065.77 |
| Deferred revenue - Unanticipated grants | - | - |
| School district payable | 648,830.50 | 729,089.35 |
| TAN | 318,008.83 | - |
| Performance bond refundable | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 |
| CURRENT LIABILITIES | 1,056,323.24 | 755,346.99 |
| Long Term Liabilities |  |  |
| Flood Loan | 631,396.62 | - |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | 1,687,719.86 | 755,346.99 |
| Fund equity |  |  |
| Opening balance Equity | (631,396.62) | - |
| Retained earnings | (150.00) | - |
| Fund equity - unassigned | 200,511.25 | 626,283.04 |
| Fund equity - encumbered | - | - |
| Fund equity - Conservation Comm. | 3,962.28 | 3,961.88 |
| Fund equity - Forest Maintenance | 3,904.73 | 3,904.34 |
| Fund balance - Hearse restoration | - | - |
| Potential Net Income | 60,696.56 | 91,212.00 |
|  | (362,471.80) | 725,361.26 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY | \$ 1,325,248.06 | \$ 1,480,708.25 |

## 2021 Selectmen's Report

While Covid continued to add a layer to everything we do the Selectmen dealt with new technology, equipment failure, ongoing issues of Zoning compliance and a flood disaster.

We began the year working on getting broadband into Acworth. Gregg Thibodeau led a small committee set up by the Planning Board to explore options for the Town. Surrounding towns were signing on with Consolidated Communications at considerable expense. We learned that the New Hampshire Electric Cooperative (NHEC) had acquired FCC rights to run fiber in Acworth. At the same time the Town became eligible for Covid recovery funds which could only be spent on Covid related or infrastructure related projects of which broadband was one. As the year progressed the Town entered an agreement with NHEC for the company to bring broadband to Acworth for only the amount of the Covid recovery funds. Some of you will have seen NHEC personnel out along the roads working on the fiber roll out.

Just as the Selectmen and Budget Committee were completing work on the 2021 budget the highway loader failed and the Town was forced to budget for its replacement. We were fortunate to have funds in the Equipment Capital Reserve Fund and in our Fund Balance to defray the cost. Additionally Glenn Elsesser was able to sell pieces of old equipment at municipal auction whose proceeds were applied to the purchase.

We prepared for a Covid March Town Meeting by arranging additional seating in the United Church with a computer feed only to discover that our pre-broadband internet access was insufficient to handle the load. The Meeting was held in the Hall with masking and distancing with no apparent Covid consequences.

Each month of the year the Selectmen were confronted with some sort of compliance issue. These ranged from unlicensed junk yards and unpermitted accessory dwelling units to insufficient septic systems. Enforcement is the most difficult part of having regulations. When property owners do not comply the cost of legal proceedings is borne by all taxpayers. It is helpful to remember the regulations were put in place by the voters and represent the vision we have for our Town.

On July 29 an unrelenting rain storm caused more damage to Acworth than any event in our memory. On July 30 twenty nine Town roads were closed, some completely destroyed. The remaing five months of the year were consumed with repairs and their funding. While the Town waited for a federal disaster declaration we tapped our Fund Balance and Bridge Capital Reserve Fund. Once the declaration was made we held a Special Town Meeting to approve a loan and began to prepare for FEMA. FEMA arrived in full force in December. They will review our work over the winter and expect to begin reimbursement of eligible work in spring of 2022. It is important to know FEMA is a reimbursement program. We have to spend money to be reimbursed. In round numbers we spent $\$ 1,181,678$ in 2021 and draft budgets for 2022 are budgeting $\$ 1,862,642$ for remaining repairs. Our State Rep Judy Aron has worked since July to find State funds to assist us. FEMA reimbursement can be $75 \%$ of eligible costs. The remaining $25 \%$ will be the Town's responsibility and is likely to extend over the next few years. This could limit our capital spending and will make annual budgeting challenging. Around year end the last two roads closed in July, Forest Road Bridge and Crane Brook Road were opened. A big achievement for a little Town. All roads will require additional work in 2022 to bring them to pre-disaster condition.

Selectmen meet the first, third and fifth Mondays of each month. Acworth Board of Selectmen, Frank Emig, Jim Jennison, Ray Leonard

## 2021 Highway Department Report

Turnover in our Highway Department has been a challenge for some time and 2021 was no exception. For a number of years the Town has maintained a four man crew including the Supervisor along with some additional summer help. We began the year with two new hires and Supervisor Mark McIntire and driver Ed Baker who have both been with the Department a few years. By summer the new hires had moved on. Selectmen hired a new-new third man who lasted until year end. In January Selectmen began another round of interviews and have a three man crew in place as of this writing.

As we have worked on the 2022 budget there has been much discussion about the turnover. Requirements for CDL licensing which is needed for some big trucks has become highly regulated in recent time. Some experienced drivers have let their licenses lapse and new license applicants face a stiff training and testing process. This has resulted in a competitive market for CDL drivers with appealing incentives offered for new hires. Over the years the Town has tried to maintain wage and benefits levels that are fair and affordable to tax payers. Now we are challenged to compete in a market with limited participants.

In addition to market conditions we have the nature of our roads. Mark recently checked on our total mileage coming up with 66 miles of Town maintained roads. With a three man crew that means each man needs to cover 22 miles of plowing and sanding, our Department's most labor intensive work. A survey of neighboring towns revealed their man/mileage ratio is on average less than 10 miles per man. This is an important consideration.

After the July 29 rain storm which closed 29 of our roads our three man crew worked 12 hour days for 15 days straight to assure that every resident had a way out and emergency vehicles had a way in. Those were extenuating circumstances. Nevertheless, it is true that we have a high number of road miles to care for and our terrain makes us subject to damage from severe weather which has been more frequent of late.

On the lighter side, we repaired the Garage septic system so that it is not subject to inconvenient lapses. The Department is working with Selectmen and the Planning Board collecting data which can be used in the Town's Capital Improvement Plan to anticipate equipment replacement.

The crew appreciates the positive messages left on the Garage answering machine. All calls are returned or attended to as needed (835-6866). Road issues are discussed at every Selectmen's meeting and questions from residents are addressed. If you are interested in road maintenance and road projects please come to Select board meetings and let us know your thoughts. The crew of Acworth Highway appreciates your support.

Board of Selectmen's office

## 2021 Solid Waste Report

| Waste_disposed | Type | Shipments | Tons/units | Cost | Income |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | MSW | 30 | 217.93 | \$25,428 |  |
|  | C\&D | 18 | 94.85 | 12,056 |  |
|  | Freon | 1 | /57 | 513 |  |
| Waste recycled | Comingle | 4 | 5.73 | 2,205 |  |
|  | Bulbs | 1 | /194 | 81 |  |
|  | Electronics | 1 | 2.21 | 1,127 |  |
|  | Glass | 4 | 26.57 | 1,487 |  |
|  | Hazardous |  |  | 621 |  |
|  | Metal | 8 |  | 1,515 | 1,557 |
|  | Paper | 8 | 13.31 | 4,478 | 510 |
|  | Tires | 2 | /508 | 1,184 |  |
|  | Waste oil | 1 | .25/ | 3,245 |  |
| Transfer Station |  |  |  |  | 14,342 |
| Total cost |  |  |  | \$53,940 |  |
| Total income fro | ees and recy | ling proceed |  |  | \$16,410 |
| Measurable tonn | e shipped for | disposal |  |  |  |
| Municipal Solid | te (Household | Refuse) |  | 217.9 tons |  |
| Construction, De | ition Debris, | ulky Waste |  | 94.8 tons |  |
| Measurable recy | bles shipped | or processin |  | 48.1 tons |  |
| Total: Waste and | cyclables |  |  | 360.8 tons |  |
| Recycling as a pe | ntage of meas | rable tonnag |  | 13.3\% |  |

The initial effect of Covid on our Transfer Station has changed. The 2020 increase in bulky waste (C\&D) has declined while ordinary household trash (MSW) has increased 6\%.

Fees covered the disposal costs of C\&D, Freon, Bulbs, Electronics and Tires and our metal income covered the metal disposal cost. Paper is not earning any money and we have a lot. Cardboard is making money though not enough to cover paper at this time.

Hazardous waste disposal is now done through Keene. Costs only increased $\$ 51$ over last year and hopefully more people are accessing the service than when the Town was not with the Keene program.

Recycling as a percentage of measurable tonnage is an imperfect calculation because several of our recyclables are not measured in tonnage. However, although imperfect the percentage has dropped considerably from last year when it was $26 \%$. In 2019 our recycling percentage had dropped below $20 \%$ for the first time in memory.

What is important is that MSW (the Big Squash) is the most expensive thing we export. Anything that we do to keep things going to other bins saves all of us money.

## 2021 Trustees of Trust Funds Report

The Trustees of Trust Funds met 3 times in 2021 in April, July, and December. April Meeting dealt with the election of officers: Torrey Greene, Chair, Sandra Binion Vice- Chair, Tim Perry, bookkeeper
Town Meeting had voted on the following disbursements: \$40,000 from Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for long-term lease /purchase of loader, \$50,000.00 from Equipment Capital Reserve fund for purchase of backhoe. These disbursements were made.
$\$ 30,000$ was received from Town of Acworth for deposit in Equipment Capital Reserve Fund as voted on at Town Meeting 2021.
The July meeting dealt with the corrected MS9. It showed the corrected deposit of $\$ 5,000.00$ in Buildings and Grounds Capital Reserve Fund.
In the December meeting the Trustees received $\$ 53,000.00$ from the Town of Acworth to fund the Capital Reserve Funds as voted on at Town Meeting 2021: \$8,000.00 for Revaluation, $\$ 20,000.00$ for Bridge Repair and Replacement, $\$ 10,000.00$ for Acworth Fire \& Rescue Truck Purchase, $\$ 5,000.00$ for Building and Grounds, and 10,000.00 for Transfer Station.
Disbursements were made to the Town of Acworth out of Bridge Repair and Replacement CRF in the amount of $\$ 55,000.00$ to open Forest Road Bridge and $\$ 24,500.00$ from Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund.
The ending balance on 12-31-2021 for the Town's Capital Reserve Funds is \$182,173.75, Perpetual Care Funds: $\$ 157,634.39$, Library Funds $\$ 106,224.53$, and Mitchell and Jeffrey Funds $\$ 78,155.10$ for a Total Ending Balance $\$ 524,187.87$.
For the Trustees of Trust Funds
Marianne W Nevelson
Recording Secretary





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| 11.00 | Abbott Laboratories | Stock |
| 2.00 | Accenture PLC | Stock |
| 2.000 | Adobe Inc | Stock |
| 5.000 | Air Products and Chemicals Inc | Stock |
| 4.000 | American Tower Corp | Stock |
| . | Ametek Inc | Stock |
| . | Amgen Inc | Stock |
| 11.000 | Apple Inc | Stock |
| 18.000 | Bank of America Corp | Stock |
| 3.000 | Berkshire Hathaway Inc | Stock |
| 5.000 | Chevron Corp | Stock |
| 16.000 | Comcast Corp | Stock |
|  | Communication Services | Mutual |
| 25.000 | Sector SPDR Fund | Fund Index |
| 15.000 | Consumer Discretionary Select | Mutual |
| 3.000 | Costoo Wholesale Corp | Stock |
| 17,869.290 | Daily Bank Money Market Fund | Money Market |
| 5.000 | Danaher Corp | Stock |
|  |  | Mutual |
| 4.000 | Home Depot Inc/The | Stock |
| 5.000 | Honeywell International Inc | Stock |
| 7.000 | Intercontinental Exchange Inc | Stock |
|  | ishres Coresep 500 ETF | Mutual |
| 105.000 | ishares Core S\&P 500 ETF | $\frac{\text { Fund } / \text { Index }}{\text { Mutual }}$ |
| 13.000 | iShares Core S\&P Mid-Cap ETF | Fund/Index |


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| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 17.000 | iShares Core S\＆P Small－Cap ETF | Mutual Fund／Index |
|  | iShares Core U．S．Aggregate Bond | Mutual |
| 1，102．000 | ETF | Fund Index |
|  | iShares iBoxx USD Investment | Mutual |
| 460.000 | Grade Corporate Bond ETF | FundIndex |
|  |  | Mutual |
| － | iShares MBS ETF | FundIndex |
|  |  | Mutual |
| 175.000 | iShares TIPS Bond ETF | FundIndex |
|  |  | Mutual |
| ． | iShares US Treasury Bond ETF | FundIndex |
| 8.000 | Johnson \＆Johnson | Stock |
| 7.000 | JPMorgan Chase \＆ $\mathrm{C}_{0}$ | Stock |
| 4.000 | L3Harris Technologies Inc | Stock |
| 2.000 | Lam Research Corp | Stock |
| 14.000 | LyondellBasell Industries NV | Stock |
| 3.000 | Mastercard Inc | Stock |
| 2.000 | Facebook Meta Platforms Inc． | Stock |
| 7.000 | Microsoff Corp | Stock |
| 16.000 | NextEra Energy Inc | Stock |
| 9.000 | NIKE Inc | Stock |
| 11.000 | Novo Nordisk A／S | Stock |
| 5.000 | PepsiCo Inc | Stock |
| 5.000 | Phillips 66 | Stock |
| 6.000 | Procter \＆Gamble Co／The | Stock |
| 2.000 | Roper Technologies Inc | Stock |
| 4.000 | Starbucks Corp | Stock |
| 3.000 | Synopsys Inc | Stock |


| Beginning <br> Market Value | Ending Market <br> Value |
| ---: | ---: |
| $2,600.40$ | $2,955.79$ |
| $1,397.34$ | $1,334.48$ |
| $3,871.22$ | $4,186.92$ |
| $1,753.85$ | $1,731.10$ |
| - | $1,299.00$ |
| $1,093.65$ | - |
| $1,630.62$ | 774.45 |
| 825.51 | $1,168.30$ |
| - | $1,441.30$ |
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| \# of Shares or <br> Other Units | Description of Investment (Names <br> of Banks, Stocks, Bonds, etc.) | Type |
| ---: | :--- | :--- |
| 17.000 | Technology Select Sector SPDR <br> Fund | Mutual <br> Fund/Index |
| 2.000 | Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc | Stock |
| 82.000 | Vanguard FTSE Developed Markets <br> ETF | Mutual <br> Fund/Index |
| 35.000 | Vanguard FTSE Emerging Markets <br> ETF | Mutual <br> Fund/Index |
| 25.000 | Verizon Communications Inc | Stock |
| - | Visa Inc | Stock |
| 5.000 | Walt Disney Co/The | Stock |
| 7.000 | Waste Management Inc | Stock |
| 35.000 | Weyerhaeuser Co | Stock |
| - | Checking Account | Checking <br> Account |
| - | Banking Assistance Fees |  |

## 2021 Librarians' Report

The year 2021 continued to be a challenge for us all. We monitored Covid 19 cases in the area and have ended the year requesting that patrons wear masks for the health and safety of all of us.
As part of our Summer Reading Program, we hosted three comics drawing programs. Marek Bennett and Carrie Clark were both entertaining and instructive teachers. All participants in our SRP received a new book of their choice.
In September we were thrilled to have the Acworth School students return and visit us every other Tuesday.
During 2021 we had 2,352 patron visits; 2,604 adult books were borrowed; 851 children's books were borrowed; 367 DVDs were borrowed and we borrowed 453 books from other libraries through the State Library's Inter-Library Loan service. We had 551 patron visits to use our computers or our wireless internet. We welcomed 12 new patrons.
Our Book Sale for 2021 was a success and a collection of all types of books remains available at the Town Hall.
Please feel free to visit us or email/phone us with questions or requests.
We thank our patrons, visitors, trustees and all who assisted us during 2021.
Susan Metsack, Linda Thompson-Mohr, Kathy Stiles, Librarians
Phone 835-2150; Email acworthlibrary@myfairpoint.net
Hours: Tues and Thurs 11:30am to 5:30pm, Sat and Sun 11:30am to 4:30pm

## 2021 Library Trustees Report

The Acworth Library had a successful year providing books in ways that kept our community safe. This has been a year when the respite of books has allowed for human connection through story while face to face interactions were limited. We are so grateful to live in this rural community with so many dedicated readers.

Summer brought our annual Book Sale, this year in August. Thank you to everyone who donated books for the sale and to those who came out to support us and bring home some new gems for their home libraries. Our Summer Reading Program included a Comics Workshop led by Marek Bennett in which students created their own comic books.

In October we contracted with Anthony Lee to install our new granite sign, which will grace the front lawn of the library for many years to come.

We are hopeful that 2022 will bring the opportunity to bring back more face to face events and programs. Your Board of Trustees thanks you for your continued patronage and encourages you to visit your library.

Respectfully submitted, Guy Russell, Melinda Loiselle, Doug Robinson, Mary Hildreth, Andrea Alderman

## ACWORTH SILSBY LIBRARY FINANCIAL REPORT 2021

| ACCOUNT BALANCES | 12/31/2020 | 12/31/2021 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CHECKING | \$507.22 | \$380.27 |  |
| SAVINGS | \$6,042.19 | \$3,208.20 |  |
| CD'S | \$12,784.91 | \$12,805.02 |  |
|  | \$19,334.32 | \$16,393.49 |  |
|  | 2021 | 2021 | Variance to |
|  | BUDGET | ACTUAL | Budget |
| INCOME |  |  |  |
| TOWN APPROPRIATION <br> (SALARIES / TAXES / OTHER) | \$41,845 | \$39,181.05 | $(\$ 2,664)$ |
| OTHER INCOME |  |  |  |
| CD \& SAVINGS INTEREST | \$40 | \$20.77 | (\$19) |
| MISCELLANEOUS INCOME UNRESTRICTED INCOME | \$500 | \$1,092.75 | \$593 |
| RESTRICTED INCOME : TRUST FUNDS \& GIFTS, GRANTS | \$900 | \$1,885.00 | \$985 |
| DESIGNATED INCOME : BK SLS, FINES, EQUIP FEES | \$1,175 | \$1,887.60 | \$713 |
| USE OF RESERVED LIBRARY GENERAL FUNDS | \$3,000 | \$0.00 |  |
| USE OF RESTRICTED LIBRARY FUNDS (Jeffrey Fund Int. for books) | \$700 | See note below |  |
|  | \$48,160 | \$44,067.17 | $(\$ 4,093)$ |
| EXPENSES (Library \& Town Funds) |  |  |  |
| SALARIES \& PAYROLL TAXES (includes snow removal) | \$28,000 | \$25,981.20 | $(\$ 2,019)$ |
| BOOKS (ADULT) \& PERIODICALS | \$6,000 | \$6,724.90 | \$725 |
| BOOKS (CHILDREN) | \$1,800 | \$1,097.17 | (\$703) |
| OTHER MATERIALS - DVDs | \$600 | \$468.27 | (\$132) |
| HEAT SYSTEM / HEATING FUEL | \$2,500 | \$2,194.61 | (\$305) |
| ELECTRICITY | \$1,000 | \$1,040.77 | \$41 |
| COMMUNICATIONS (PHONE \& DSL) | \$1,400 | \$1,977.53 | \$578 |
| SUPPLIES \& EXPENSES | \$750 | \$634.26 | (\$116) |
| POSTAL / BANK FEES / SVC CHG | \$150 | \$156.45 | \$6 |
| GROUNDSKEEPING (MOWING) | \$1,200 | \$1,090.00 | (\$110) |
| DUES / FEES / TUITION | \$60 | \$60.00 | \$0 |
| PROGRAMS / EVENTS | \$1,200 | \$966.73 | (\$233) |
| COMPUTER / COPIER (HARDWARE \& SOFTWARE) | \$1,200 | \$1,204.83 | \$5 |
| MISC. EXPENSE | \$300 | \$127.34 | (\$173) |
| BUILDING REPAIRS See note below | \$2,000 | \$3,283.94 | \$1,284 |
| GRANTS / DESIGNATED GIFTS | \$0 | \$0.00 | \$0 |
|  | \$48,160 | \$47,008.00 | (\$1,152) |


| * BUILDING REPAIRS - Granite Library sign | \$3,000 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2022 RESTRICTED / DESIGNATED / RESERVED LIBRARY FUNDS |  |  |  |
| Richard \& Clarence Jeffery Memorial Library Fund Accumulated Interest | \$8,935 | (restricted gift) | ( in CD ) |
| Codman \& Gertrude Hislop Book Fund Accumulated Interest | \$3,870 | (restricted gift) | ( in CD ) |
| Designated income account from income-producing equipment | \$403 | (designated income) |  |
| Building repair / renovation Savings - Planned repairs on front steps | \$623 | (reserved funds) |  |

## 2021 Conservation Commission

2021 was a very busy "foundational" year for our commission team. All our work in 2021 enables our effort to create an Acworth Conservation Plan. We also began discussing ways to engage folks by re-establishing an educational series and schedule community conservation efforts. 2021 has put us in a great position for 2022. What follows are highlights of our accomplishments in 2021 and actions for 2022. A full report is available on the Conservation Commission's Town Webpage at https://www.acworthnh.net/conservation-commission

## Conservation Plan

We updated our goals and responsibilities and created a list of 26 supporting agencies that are available to us for our projects. We began to create our town's Conservation Plan. The plan will guide our towns actions over 3,5 and 10 years. It will include forest management, logging, surface water monitoring, specific plans for each of the town-owned forests, wildlife corridor recommendations and actions, a complete list of our natural resources, list of supporting agencies, invasive species, and other topics.

## Town-Owned Properties

Commission members completed assessments of 15 town owned properties. In 2022 we will complete assessments of the remaining 12 parcels. We identified 5 properties that were auctioned off in 2021. We identified 3 properties we are recommending for sale in 2022 and 2 properties that we are considering recommending for designation as town forests.

## Logging, Forest Management, Conservation Easements and Town Forests

- We reviewed 15 intents to cut; reviewed and addressed 10 conservation complaints and purchased and leveraged 2 trail cameras to aid in our assessments and complaints.
- This year our commission and the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests (SPNHF) conducted 7 assessments covering over 2400 acres of conservation lands. SPNHF covered 400 acres with support from our commission. Our commission members covered the rest.
- We are pleased to report that our conservation lands and town forests in general are in great shape, with only a few corrective actions required throughout the year.
- In 2022 we will be adding the South Acworth Town Forest to this list.


## Surface Water and Wildlife Management

- In June we participated in the annual June monitoring of the water quality in Crescent Lake. NH DES Rivers Management and Protection Program also conducted a flow analysis of Cold River. Crescent Lake and Cold River are in very good shape. Both reports are available upon request.
- One area of emphasis in 2022 will be the Keyes Hollow Marshland area. Keyes Hollow wetland stores millions of gallons of water. This storage of water in wetlands greatly reduces flooding risks downstream. Climate change, worsening storms and the history of damage that the Cold River has inflicted on Acworth and other towns, illustrate that we cannot afford to lose this essential flood mitigation. Wetlands reduce the temperature of the water which is critical to fish, insects, amphibians, and reptiles. Keyes Hollow wetlands also provide a robust habitat for micro-organisms, insects (including pollinators) animals and birds. Wildlife watching, kayaking, fishing, trapping, and hunting all benefit from a healthy wetland.
- This year we located and have revised a wildlife corridor plan. Wildlife corridors allow for the movement of wildlife to and from concealing cover, food, and water. (See the full report for further information).
- In 2022 we will also look to engage our residents in assisting us in managing our wildlife. We are looking at an online and mobile device application called iNaturalist that will enable each of us to become "backyard naturalist".


## Climate Change

The biggest climate change concern that is projected for our area is increase in annual rainfall and an increase in flooding events. In 2022, the ConCom will be looking closely at our forest and wetland management plans as mitigations in managing carbon emissions. We will also look to ensure that our wetland is healthy as an essential component to manage floods on Cold River. We will begin producing educational information in 2022 to help residents understand the importance of sound forest management as it pertains to climate change.

## Green-Up Day

We had some very good results in cleaning up our roads in 2021. Five major roads were covered through the dedication of several volunteers, and we collected close to the same amount of garbage that we have collected in the past.

## Outreach, Communication, Education \& Recruiting

- We recruited and gained two new members and two volunteers
- We had multiple Facebook and Acworth Newsletter articles throughout the year
- We began development of an annual education program and series that will start in the summer of 2022
- We also attended several virtual workshops and conferences such as the NH Association of Conservation Commissions (NH ACC) Annual Meeting and the University of NH Cooperative Saving Special Place Conference.


## Budget

| Sources | Beginning <br> Balance | Year End <br> Balance | Notes |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Forest Maintenance Fund | $\$ 3,904.34$ | $\$ 3,904.69$ |  |
| Conservation Land Trust Fund | $\$ 3,621.88$ | $\$ 3,962.25$ |  |
| Acworth Charitable Grant Available | $\$ 2,200.00$ | $\$ 2,200.00$ | Application required |

We have many plans and actions we expect to begin addressing in 2022. This will mean an increase in our expenses. Here are some areas that we expect expenses in 2022:

- Updates to forest management plans, surveys of town forests, wetland improvements, education and volunteer efforts in both forest and wetland management, updated maps and other publications


## Conclusion

Our natural resources are one of our town's most valuable assets. Healthy forests and wetlands have tremendous benefits in climate change, plant, and wildlife management. Hunting, trapping, fishing, boating, birdwatching, hiking, snow shoeing and x-country skiing are just a few of the activities that benefit significantly from the protection and conservation of our natural resources. Thank you for your support in 2021, and please join our commission in our cause to protect and conserve our natural resources in 2022. Involvement can be done by effectively managing your own properties, engaging in our Green-Up Day, supporting our 2022 volunteer events, joining our commission, or attending our 2022 education sessions.
"The greatest threat to our planet is the belief that someone else will save it." Robert Swan, Explorer
Respectfully Submitted, Gregg Thibodeau and Jennifer Bland, Co-Chairpersons

## 2021 Planning Board Report

The Planning Board heard applicants for lot changes, driveways and Nonresidential Site Plan Review, refined amendments to the Zoning Ordinance and worked on the Town's Capital Improvement Plan during 2021.

Under lot changes a minor subdivision on Ball Road was approved, a lot line adjustment and annexation at the Gowen Farm was approved and an annexation between lots at Crescent Lake was approved. Permanent driveways were approved for new construction on Lufkin, Gove, Vinton and Cold Pond Roads and temporary driveway permits for logging on Derry Hill Road were approved. Dean and Wendy Gowen worked with the Board on a Nonresidential Site Plan Review of their bed and breakfast and event space at the former Newton Farm on NH Route 123A.

Throughout the year the Board worked on 3 amendments to the Zoning Ordinance which have come up in recent years as areas needing refining and that were supported by the Joint Boards Meeting. Based on a request from the Selectmen to streamline the building permit process, the Planning Board is proposing that structures below a certain size be allowed without applying for a building permit. The size varies by zoning district. Also based on a Selectmen request is a proposal to clarify the Zoning Ordinance definition of the word 'structure'. The third amendment derived from applications for building permits and Nonresidential Site Plan Review made to Town boards for new property uses and is intended to provide clarity for applicants and Town boards members as to the processing of new uses requests. Three hearings were held on the proposed changes which will be voted on by paper ballot during daytime voting on Town Meeting day, March 8, 2022.

Work began on the 2021 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) in April. The CIP is a projection, usually going out 6 years, of capital investments the Town needs. Capital investments refers to highway equipment purchases and large road projects such as paving and is different from the Town's maintenance work which is covered by the annual operating budget. Board members worked with Selectmen and Highway Supervisor Mark McIntire on road and equipment needs and with Glenn Elsesser on estimating projects costs. The July 29 flood caused previously unseen amounts of damage to Town roads presenting a challenge to capital investment planning. In discussion the Board acknowledged that for the immediate future most of the Town's resources will be confined to reconstructing what was lost. However, the Board also felt the responsibility to keep the Town's capital needs in view and wrote that into their 2021 CIP.

In other business, the Planning Board's subcommittee, the Acworth Broadband Committee (ABC), continued to work on bringing better internet to Acworth. Working with a small group, Gregg Thibodeau liaised between the Town and New Hampshire Electric Cooperative (NHEC). Unlike competitors that required sizable bonds from towns, NHEC agreed to a Town contribution not to exceed the amount of Covid relief funds for which Acworth was eligible. Covid relief funds can only be used for Covid related costs or water, sewer or broadband. By year end NHEC had begun installing fiber in Acworth and reaching out to property owners.

The Planning Board meets monthly and would welcome residents interested in becoming members or alternates. Alternates participate in all Board discussion and vote when a full member is absent.

Acworth Planning Board

## 2021 Crescent Lake Association Report

The summer of 2021 at Crescent Lake Acworth/Unity NH saw a continuance of the impact of COVID-19 from 2020, though our seasonal inspections were down from 2020, likely due to the rainy months of July and August.
For the season we conducted 1,101 courtesy inspections, a decrease from 2020's high tally, though closer to a seasonal "norm" for Crescent Lake.
Our four principal Lake Hosts worked over 950 hours - a considerable increase as we were concerned at the outset of the summer season of a repeat of 2020. You may recall in 2020, Crescent Lake recorded a invasive weed "save" at the boat launch and we were being proactive in adding hours to inspect watercraft at earlier/later/holiday hours. Thankfully, we did not record an inspection with invasives in 2021.
The additional hours impacted Crescent Lake Association financially as our total operating costs specifically for Lake Hosts exceeded $\$ 10,500.00$ in 2021. Your contribution is vital in protecting Crescent Lake, though we would humbly request your Board of Selectmen consider a greater annual "subsidy" of our annual costs. We hope you will consider increasing your annual stipend of $\$ 2,000.00$ to $\$ 3,000.00$ in order that we continue to support what may now become increased hours in future seasons. We continue to have excellent water quality and remain free of invasives. In 2022 we anticipate more of the same effort to keep Crescent Lake clean. Thank you in advance for your assistance as always.

Respectfully,
Crescent Lake Association

Kevin Brenker, Chair - Aquatic Invasive Species Committee kdbrenker@gmail.com

Cemetery Trustees met monthly from May through November in 2021. Our responsibilities include overseeing mowing and weed-whacking in the Batchelder Nye and Hill Road cemeteries, monument repair, and removal of dead trees. We are also responsible for keeping maps and records of burials in our town cemeteries.

This year Acworth has faced unusual demands on town budget funds. Therefore we postponed monument repair and tree work in order to return monies saved to the town's general fund. Despite our commitment to keeping expenditures in check, mowing costs were higher than anticipated due to higher than average rainfall during the growing season. Townspeople take pride in the well kept appearance of our historic cemeteries, and trustees are aware that holidays such as Memorial Day and July $4^{\text {th }}$ draw many former residents to visit the cemetery.

Updating our map of the Hill Road cemetery's post 1956 burials has been a major focus of our fall and winter work. We are most grateful to volunteer Lorraine LaCasse, who has spent hours entering spreadsheet data into a map that can be printed to show burial locations and available plots. This work and that of our predecessors means that we have searchable computer databases of all burials in our town cemeteries. Most Acworth cemetery headstones and their inscriptions can also be found online, www.findagrave.com.

From time to time we receive inquiries from townspeople wishing to be buried on their own land. Home burial is legal in New Hampshire, but unadvisable because it creates a permanent encumbrance on the land. Location of a home burial must be mapped and recorded in the property deed. Future construction close to the burial site is restricted. Descendants of the deceased have a permanent right to access the burial site, even after ownership of the property has been sold or transferred. For details, see New Hampshire RSA 289, sections 3 and 14. The best way to ensure your loved one's resting place is cared for and respected is to provide for burial in our town cemetery. Inquiries about lot ownership, purchase, or burials should be directed to the Sexton.

## Acworth Cemetery Trustees

Helen Frink, Chair.
Lillie LeBlanc
Claudia Istel
Sexton Kris Fenderson

## 2021 Acworth Volunteer Fire and Rescue Company, Inc. Report

## 1 Fire

Building fire 4
Chimney or flue fire, confined to chimney 2
Fuel burner/boiler malfunction, fire 1
Forest, woods or wildland fire 1
3 Rescue \& Emergency Medical Service
Rescue, EMS incident, other 10
Emergency medical service, other 1
EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with 40
Motor Vehicle Accident with no injuries 5
4 Hazardous Condition (No Fire)
Hazardous condition, Other 2
Power line down 4
Vehicle accident, general cleanup 1
5 Service Call
Person in distress, Other 1
Assist police or other governmental agency 1
Public service 2
Assist invalid 8
Unauthorized burning 2
6 Good Intent Call
Dispatched \& cancelled en route 3
No Incident found on arrival at dispatch 1
7 False Alarm \& False Call
False alarm or false call, Other 1
Smoke detector malfunction 1
Smoke detector activation, no fire - 1
Detector activation, no fire - 1
Alarm system activation, no fire - 3
Carbon monoxide detector activation, no CO 1
8 Severe Weather \& Natural Disaster
Flood assessment 5
Wind storm, tornado/hurricane assessment 3
Severe weather or natural disaster standby 2
Total Incident Count: 107

Acworth Resident Marriage Report January 1-December 31, 2021

| Person A's Name | Person B's Name | Place of Marriage | Date of <br> Marriage |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gratacos, Stephen M | Hodgdon, Misty D | Acworth | 01/02 |
| Rogan, William T | Lentz, Maria H | Acworth | 06/02 |
| Vigneau, Nicole L | Marsh III, Jack D | Walpole | 10/16 |
| Smith, Crystal L | Barcomb, Brenton L | Rindge | 10/23 |
| Ball, Carl B | Butson, Bette J | Acworth | 12/18 |

Acworth Resident Birth Report January 1-December 31, 2021

| Child's Name | $\frac{\text { Date of }}{\text { Birth }}$ | $\frac{\text { Place of }}{\underline{\text { Birth }}}$ | Father's/Mother's Name |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Moore, Malachy Patrick | 06/13 | Acworth | Moore, Christopher Moore, Erin |

## Acworth Resident Death Report January 1-December 31, 2021

| Decedent's Name | Age |  | Place of Death |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Date of Death |  |  |  |  |
| Dunbar, Paul Alton | 76 |  | Acworth | $01 / 19$ |
| Lusco, Walter Millard | 73 |  | Claremont | $02 / 08$ |
| Dean, George R | 78 | Acworth | $02 / 18$ |  |
| Osborn Jr, William H | 87 | Acworth | $03 / 13$ |  |
| Relihan, Ferba Ellen | 88 | Acworth | $12 / 10$ |  |

## 2021 Merger Notice

If you owned real estate lots that were involuntarily merged, you may be able to have those lots restored to their pre-merger status.

Your property may qualify if:
Two or more lots were merged without your consent for zoning, assessing or taxation purposes;
No previous owner consented to the merger.
To restore your property to pre-merger status you must:
Make a request to the Board of Selectmen no later than December 31, 2021.
Once restored:
Your properties will again become separate lots; however, they must still conform to existing land use ordinances.

This Notice shall be posted in a public place from January 1, 2012 until December 31, 2021 and be published in the Town's Annual Report from 2011 through 2021.

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## Tax Rate Breakdown Acworth

| Municipal Tax Rate Calculation |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jurisdiction |  | Effort Valuation |  |  |
| Municipal |  | \$941,817 | \$120,497,600 | \$7.81 |
| County |  | \$278,474 | \$120,497,600 | \$2.31 |
| Local Education |  | \$1,356,309 | \$120,497,600 | \$11.26 |
| State Education |  | \$180,769 | \$116,858,500 | \$1.55 |
| Total |  | \$2,757,369 |  | \$22.93 |


|  | Village Tax Rate Calculation |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Jurisdiction | Tax Effort | Valuation | Tax Rate |
| Total |  |  |  |  |


| Tax Commitment Calculation |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Total Municipal Tax Effort | $\$ 2,757,369$ |
| War Service Credits | $(\$ 12,600)$ |
| Village District Tax Effort | $\$ 0$ |
| Total Property Tax Commitment | $\$ 2,744,769$ |



11/22/2021
James P. Gerry
Director of Municipal and Property Division
New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration


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